

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented) A method for providing an electronic document, said electronic document having multiple versions, each of said versions identified by a creation time-stamp indicating a creation time of said corresponding version, said method comprising the steps of:

receiving a request for said electronic document, said request including a requested time-stamp indicating a time associated with a desired version of said electronic document and a domain name associated with said time-stamp;

10 identifying as a function of said creation time-stamp and said requested time-stamp a version of said electronic document having a creation time corresponding to said requested time-stamp; and

15 identifying an address of said version of said electronic document stored on a server corresponding to said requested time-stamp as a function of said requested time-stamp and said domain name.

2. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein an address identifying said electronic document includes said creation time-stamp.

20 3. (Original) The method according to claim 2, wherein said address is a Uniform Resource Locator (“URL”).

25 4. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 3, wherein said Uniform Resource Locator (“URL”) has an associated request header for indicating said requested time-stamp.

30 5. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of transmitting the version of said electronic document with the most recent creation time-stamp preceding the requested time-stamp if a version of said electronic document does not exist with the requested time-stamp.

6. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein said request is specified using a browser.

7. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said
5 requested time-stamp is a relative time-stamp.

8. (Previously Presented) A system for storing an electronic document having multiple versions, each of said versions identified by a creation time-stamp indicating a creation time of said corresponding version, said system comprising:

10 a memory for storing said multiple versions of said electronic document in an archive of electronic documents; and

a processor operatively coupled to said memory, said processor configured to:

15 receive a request for said electronic document, said request including a requested time-stamp indicating a time associated with a desired version of said electronic document and a domain name associated with said time-stamp;

identify as a function of said creation time-stamp and said requested time-stamp a version of said electronic document having a creation time corresponding to said requested time-stamp; and

20 identify an address of said version of said electronic document corresponding to said requested time-stamp as a function of said requested time-stamp and said domain name.

9. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 8, wherein an
25 address identifying said electronic document includes said creation time-stamp.

10. (Original) The system according to claim 9, wherein said address is a Uniform Resource Locator (“URL”).

11. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 10, wherein said Uniform Resource Locator (“URL”) has an associated request header for indicating said requested time-stamp.

5 12. (Original) The system according to claim 8, wherein said request is specified using a browser.

10 13. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 8, wherein said processor is further configured to transmit the version of said electronic document with the most recent creation time-stamp preceding the requested time-stamp if a version of said electronic document does not exist with the requested time-stamp.

15 14. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 8, wherein said requested time-stamp is a relative time-stamp.

20 15. (Previously Presented) An article of manufacture for accessing an electronic document, said electronic document having multiple versions, each of said versions being identified by a creation time-stamp indicating a creation time of said corresponding version, said article of manufacture comprising:

25 a computer readable medium having computer readable program code means embodied thereon, said computer readable program code means comprising program code means for causing a computer to:

receive a request for said electronic document, said request including a requested time-stamp indicating a time associated with a desired version of said electronic document and a domain name associated with said time-stamp;

25 identify as a function of said creation time-stamp and said requested time-stamp a version of said electronic document having a creation time corresponding to said requested time-stamp; and

30 identify an address of said version of said electronic document corresponding to said requested time-stamp as a function of said requested time-stamp and said domain name.

16. (Previously Presented) A method for resolving a domain name, said method comprising the steps of:

receiving a request for an electronic document associated with said domain name, said electronic document having multiple versions, each of said versions
5 being identified by a creation time-stamp indicating a creation time of said corresponding version, said request including a requested time-stamp indicating a time associated with a desired version of said electronic document;

identifying as a function of said creation time-stamp and said requested time-stamp a machine corresponding to a version of said domain name for a time period
10 corresponding to said requested time-stamp; and

transmitting an indication of said identified machine storing said electronic document corresponding to said requested time-stamp.

17. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 16, wherein an address identifying said electronic document includes said creation time-stamp.
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18. (Original) The method according to claim 17, wherein said address is a Uniform Resource Locator (“URL”).

20 19. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 18, wherein said Uniform Resource Locator (“URL”) has an associated request header for indicating said requested time-stamp.

25 20. (Original) The method according to claim 16, wherein said request is specified using a browser.

21. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 16, wherein said requested time-stamp is a relative time-stamp.

30 22. (Previously Presented) A system for resolving a domain name, said system comprising:

a memory for storing a database identifying a machine storing an electronic document corresponding to said domain name for a plurality of time periods; and

5 a processor operatively coupled to said memory, said processor configured to:

receive a request for an electronic document associated with said domain name, said electronic document having multiple versions, each of said versions being identified by a creation time-stamp indicating a creation time of said corresponding version, said request including a requested time-stamp indicating a time associated with a
10 desired version of said electronic document;

access said database as a function of said creation time-stamp and said requested time-stamp to identify a machine corresponding to a version of said domain name for a time period corresponding to said requested time-stamp; and

15 transmit an indication of said identified machine storing said electronic document corresponding to said requested time-stamp.

23. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 22, wherein an address identifying said electronic document includes said creation time-stamp.

20 24. (Original) The system according to claim 23, wherein said address is a Uniform Resource Locator (“URL”).

25 25. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 24, wherein said Uniform Resource Locator (“URL”) has an associated request header for indicating said requested time-stamp.

26. (Original) The system according to claim 22, wherein said request is specified using a browser.

30 27. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 22, wherein said requested time-stamp is a relative time-stamp.

28. (Previously Presented) An article of manufacture for resolving a domain name, said article of manufacture comprising:

a computer readable medium having computer readable program code means embodied thereon, said computer readable program code means comprising program code means for causing a computer to:

receive a request for an electronic document associated with said domain name, said electronic document having multiple versions, each of said versions being identified by a creation time-stamp indicating a creation time of said corresponding version, said request including a requested time-stamp indicating a time associated with a desired version of said electronic document;

identify as a function of said requested time-stamp a server corresponding to a version of said domain name, wherein said version of said domain name is associated with a time period corresponding to said requested time-stamp;

identify a server associated with said domain name as a function of said requested time-stamp;

transmit an indication of said identified machine storing said electronic document corresponding to said time-stamp.

29. (Withdrawn) A method for identifying a domain of an electronic document, said method comprising the steps of:

receiving a request for said electronic document, said request including a requested time-stamp and a domain name, wherein said domain name is associated with a first domain for a first time period and a second domain for a second time period; and

identifying one of said first domain or said second domain utilizing a time indicated by said time-stamp.

30. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 29, wherein said request includes an address identifying said electronic document.

31. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 30, wherein said address is a Uniform Resource Locator (“URL”).

32. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 31, wherein said Uniform Resource Locator (“URL”) has an associated request header for indicating said requested time stamp.

5 33. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 29, wherein said request is specified using a browser.

34. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 29, wherein said requested time-stamp is a relative time-stamp.

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35. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 29, further comprising the step of identifying an address of said electronic document utilizing said identified domain.